



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Child and Family Services

Reviews (OMB #0970-0214)

AGENCY: Children's Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Administration for Children and Families, HHS.

ACTION: Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is requesting reinstatement of the activities associated with the *Child and Family Services Reviews* (CFSR) collection (OMB #0970-0214). Revisions have been made to the forms to clarify instructions and incorporate new guidance. The activities associated with the Title IV-E Foster Care Eligibility Reviews and Anti-Discrimination Enforcement Corrective Action Plans were removed from this collection.

DATES: *Comments due within 30 days of publication.* OMB must make a decision about the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the *Federal Register*. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: The following activities are associated with the CFSR collection: CFSR Statewide Assessment, CFSR On-site Review, and the CFSR Program Improvement Plan. The collection of information for review of state child and family services programs (45 CFR 1355.33(b), 1355.33(c) and 1355.35(a)) is to determine whether such programs are in substantial conformity with state plan requirements under Titles IV-B and IV-E of the Social Security Act (the Act) and is authorized by section 1123(a) [42 U.S.C 1320a-2a] of the Act. The CFSR looks at the outcomes related to safety, permanency, and well-being of children served by the child welfare system and at seven systemic factors that support the outcomes. The information collection is needed to monitor state plan requirements under titles IV-B and IV-E of the Act and is required by federal statute. The resultant information will allow ACF to determine if states are in compliance with state plan requirements and are achieving desired outcomes for children and families. If

necessary, ACF will require states revise applicable statutes, rules, policies and procedures, and provide proper training to staff, through the development and implementation of program improvement plans. The CFSR reviews not only address conformity with state plan requirements but also assist states in enhancing the capacities to serve children and families. In computing the number of burden hours for this information collection, ACF based the annual burden estimates on ACF's and states' experiences in conducting reviews and developing program improvement plans.

Respondents: State Title IV-E Agencies.

Annual Burden Estimates

Instrument	Total Number of Respondents	Total Number of Responses Per Respondent	Average Burden Hours Per Response	Total Burden Hours	Annual Burden Hours
45 CFR 1355.33(b) Statewide Assessment	39	1	120	4,680	1,560
45 CFR 1355.33(c) On-site Review Instrument (OSRI) Stakeholder Interview Guide (SIG)	39	1	1,186	46,254	15,418
45 CFR 1355.35(a) Program Improvement Plan (PIP)	39	1	300	11,700	3,900

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 20,878

Authority: 42 U.S.C 1320a-2a.

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